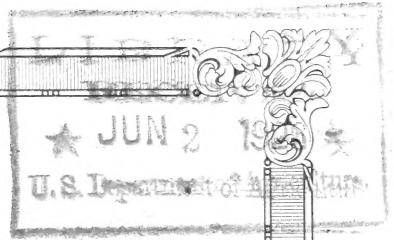


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The above picture shows some of the largest seedling trees. This picture was taken five years ago. Note size of trees in comparison to the two-horse buggy

Rood Pecan Groves

C. M. ROOD, President
Albany, Georgia

1913-14

The Largest Pecan and California English Walnut Nurseries
in Georgia

Office 136 Pine Street :: Long Distance Phone 85

References—Citizens First National Bank, Albany National Bank, Georgia National Bank and The American Trust & Banking Co., all of Albany, Georgia, U. S. A.



1,000,000 Trees in Nurseries :: 12,000 Trees in Groves
400 Acres in Groves

Own a Bearing Pecan Grove


We are offering for sale the only bearing Pecan Grove that we have ever known to be placed on the market in small tracts and easy payments. The grove is known as the Tift Grove and was planted by the son of the founder of this city. Same is now 26 years old, making it one of the oldest groves in the world. We bought this grove about five years ago to top bud and now have same in good condition in every way. Some of the top budded trees started bearing two years ago. They have nuts on them now and will increase very rapidly in yield each year as they get older. We top budded each seedling tree that did not bear large crops of large nuts. We left 111 selected seedling trees, and they are absolutely covered with nuts at this writing (June 15th). These nuts are larger than the average seedling Pecan, and we get from 25 to 40 cents per pound, never under 25 cents. We expect these seedling trees alone to bring us in over 3,000 pounds of nuts this fall. Seedling trees that are good bearers are very valuable. The objection to seedling groves as a whole is that only a small per cent. of the trees will bear heavy crops. We top budded the light bearers and kept only those that are very fine bearers. Some of these trees will have over 100 pounds of nuts per year. This grove is in 1 1-2 miles of this city; the grove is practically square and is slightly rolling to perfectly level. The grove is free from stumps, rocks and all undergrowth and is now cultivated with cotton, corn, pea vine hay, potatoes and watermelons. We cultivate the ground as it helps the trees in every way. We have never known of but two bearing groves to be sold before, the Barnwell Grove at \$202,700.00 and the Horlbeck Grove at \$280,000.00. These groves were from 600 acres up. We offer this grove for sale as we have another bearing, though much younger, grove of 351 acres, which contains the largest Pecan and California English Walnut nurseries in the State, also fruits, berries and nuts of all descriptions. This grove is well drained and healthful and will make a nice place for homes. The grove is extra fine for a chicken farm, which is so badly needed here.

The buyer of one or more of the above tracts has two attractive advantages over those buying younger groves, that is, they get an immediate income and it is located closer to Albany. The large standard soft shell Pecans that are produced on the top budded trees bring from 50 cents per pound up. We have never been able to meet the demand and have unfilled orders now which cannot be filled until next winter. The demand for Pecans is increasing faster than the supply. Pecan nuts are gathered in October and November, and are practically used up by Christmas.

Last winter we used a whole stick of dynamite in filling the vacant places and planted nothing but extra vigorous selected trees in this grove that will average six feet high. They are living

*Members of Georgia-Florida Nut Growers Association and the
National Nut Growers Association*





and growing very fine. Should any of them not live, we will re-plant this winter with selected trees. It is our opinion that a great many acres will in the future sell for \$1,000.00 or more per acre, based on the two following facts: One is that English walnut groves sell for one to three thousand dollars per acre. They do not bear as heavily as Pecans and they do not bring the price per pound; another is that 7 per cent. interest on \$1,000.00 is only \$70.00; five trees that are ten to fifteen years old will bring more than this income. We believe that the demand will always be fine as there is a growing demand for all kinds of nuts, especially Pecans, as same are being used more and more for candies, cakes, sandwiches, salads, oils, substitute for meats, etc. The price of the English walnut has advanced regardless of the great increase of crop, plus the great amount that is imported from the Mediterranean country. English walnuts grow throughout this country and Europe, while the Pecan is only propagated in a few Southern States.

We believe that the Pecan groves will remain healthy for the fact that it is naturally a tree of nature and very hardy. Pecan trees have grown wild in the Mississippi bottom lands from the beginning of time. If any serious disease would have attacked them, these conditions should have developed it, as they go through floods at all times of the year of different durations. They have forest fires, storms, cyclones, cattle, etc. to injure them, yet they are perfect specimens of health.

Albany is now the center of the Pecan world, having more modern groves in 20 miles than any other point. Albany has about 12,000 people and grew 77 per cent. during the past ten years. It is the head of navigation on the Flint river, has seven railroads, street railway and six banks. It is famous for its fine artesian water, some of its wells being 1,700 feet deep. The climate, hunting and fishing are fine.

We will contract with the buyer if he wishes to cultivate, trim, and do any other work that might be necessary for the good of the grove, gather and market the crop of nuts and remit him check for his four-fifths of the crop, we retaining one-fifth of the crop to cover above expenses. This will save the owner all trouble in regard to having his grove looked after. This method is now being used by those wishing to own groves and who have not had the proper experience, or who haven't the time to devote to it, or who do not live in a Pecan country. Or, if the buyer prefers, he can take charge of his purchase or have anyone else do so. Should he prefer to sell his crop or have some one else sell for him, we will gather same for him, charging him only actual labor for gathering. In this case we will look after the grove for five years, same costing the buyer nothing but the purchase price. Anyone wishing to buy one or more tracts can send check to any of the banks on front page, asking that they turn same over to us when we give to the bank a bond of title covering the purchase. The bank will remit this bond to the buyer. In case of a cash purchase we will turn over to the bank a "deed" for the tract, which will be legal in every way. The investment will pay interest now, though the strength of the investment is what same will produce from next year on, when the top budded trees will start to bearing heavily. There is \$12,500,000 invested in Pecans in this immediate section, and same is increasing rapidly.



TRACT NO. 1.

Top-Budded Stuarts	28.....	Planted 1888
Select Seedling Trees.....	9.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	63.....	Planted Fall 1912

100

Payments—\$47.83 down and the same each month until 60 payments have been made covering 5 years, which equals a total of \$2,870.00 for 5 74-100 acres, which is at the rate of \$500.00 per acre. Cash price is \$100.00 per acre less, which is \$2,296.00.

This price covers tracts Nos. 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12.

Should the buyer at any time not be able to meet his payments, we will allow him 60 days time. After that time the tract returns to us if he still fails to make payment.

TRACT NO. 2.

Top-Budded Stuarts	40.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	13.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	47.....	Planted Fall 1912

100

TRACT NO. 3.

Top-Budded Stuarts	13.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Van Demans.....	8.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	19.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	26.....	Planted Fall 1912
Stuarts	31.....	Planted Fall 1912

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TRACT NO. 4.

Top-Budded Van Demans.....	1.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	99.....	Planted Fall 1912

100

Payments—\$28.70 down, and the same each month until 60 payments have been made covering 5 years, which equals a total of \$1,722.00 for 5 74-100 acres, which is at the rate of \$300.00 per acre. Cash price is \$50.00 per acre less, which is \$1,435.00.

TRACT NO. 5.

Top-Budded Van Deman.....	1.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	39.....	Planted Fall 1912

40

Payments—\$11.90 down and the same each month until 60 payments have been made covering 5 years, which equals a total of \$714.11 for 2 38-100 acres, which is at the rate of \$300.00 per acre. Cash price is \$50.00 per acre less, which is \$595.00.





TRACT NO. 6.

Top-Budded Van Demans.....	2.....	Planted 1888
Schleys	8.....	Planted Fall 1912
Van Demans	30.....	Planted Fall 1912
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Payments—Same as tract No. 5. Slightly less acreage, but the same number of trees.

TRACT NO. 7.

Top-Budded Van Demans.....	14.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Frotschers	5.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	10.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	60.....	Planted Fall 1912
Schleys	11.....	Planted Fall 1912
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TRACT NO. 8.

Top Budded Frotschers.....	4.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Van Demans.....	2.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Stuarts	24.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Capital	1.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	9.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	33.....	Planted Fall 1912
Frotschers	1.....	Planted Fall 1912
Stuarts	26.....	Planted Fall 1912
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TRACT NO. 9.

Top-Budded Stuarts	43.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	3.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	54.....	Planted Fall 1912
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TRACT NO. 10.

Top-Budded Stuarts	27.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	7.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	66.....	Planted Fall 1912
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TRACT NO. 11.

Top-Budded Stuarts	24.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees	12.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	63.....	Planted Fall 1912
Van Demans	1.....	Planted Fall 1912
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TRACT NO. 12.

Top-Budded Stuarts	35.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	9.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	17.....	Planted Fall 1912
Schleys	1.....	Planted Fall 1912
Van Demans	38.....	Planted Fall 1912

100

TRACT NO. 13.

Top-Budded Frotschers	17.....	Planted 1888
Top-Budded Stuarts	3.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	7.....	Planted 1888
Stuarts	7.....	Planted Fall 1912
Van Demans	58.....	Planted Fall 1912
Schleys	3.....	Planted Fall 1912

95

This tract only shows 5.41 acres in the plat below. Same should read 5.59 as per corrected plat that is on file in this County of Public Records.

Payments same as Tract No. 1.

TRACT NO. 14.

Top-Budded Frotschers	16.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	4.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	31.....	Planted Fall 1912
Frotschers	7.....	Planted Fall 1912
Schleys	23.....	Planted Fall 1912

81

This tract shows only 4.46 acres in the plat below; same should read 4.78, as per correct plat that is on file in this County of Public Records.

Payments—Tracts Nos. 14 and 15 amounting to 6 and 34-100 acres, same payments as Tract No. 1.

TRACT NO. 15.

Top-Budded Frotscher	1.....	Planted 1888
Schleys	27.....	Planted Fall 1912

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TRACTS NOS. 16, 17 and 18.

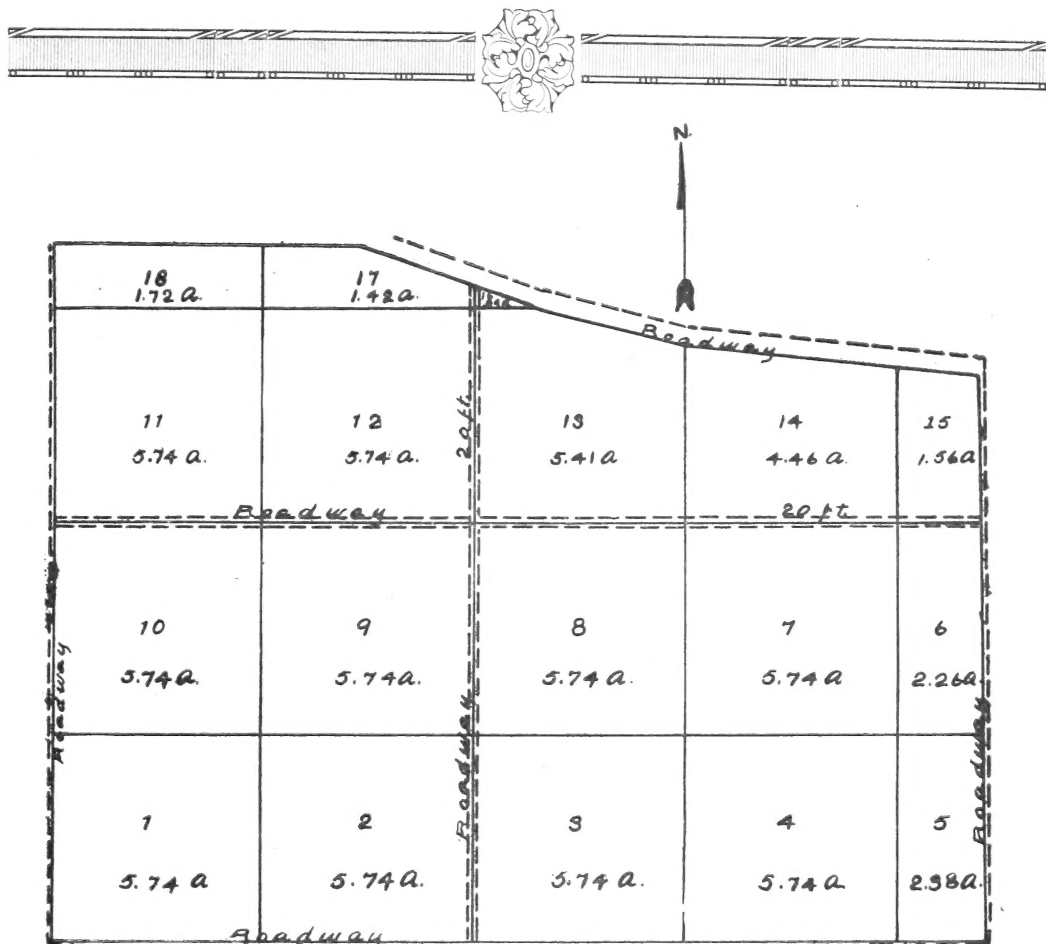
Top-Budded Stuarts	15.....	Planted 1888
Selected Seedling Trees.....	9.....	Planted 1888
Van Demans	31.....	Planted Fall 1912
Stuarts	8.....	Planted Fall 1912
Schleys	6.....	Planted Fall 1912

69

These three tracts show only 3.25 acres in following plat; same should read 5.09, as per file in this County of Public Records.

Payments—\$25.45 down and the same each month until 60 payments have been made covering 5 years, which equals a total of \$1,527.00 for 5 9-100 acres, which is at the rate of \$300.00 per acre. Cash price is \$50.00 per acre less, which is \$1,272.50.





ROOD PECAN GROVES

ALBANY, GEORGIA.

A.P.R. 1912-SCALE 1"=300'-R.J. EDGERLY, ENGR.

PART OF LAND LOTS 240, 241, 1ST. DIST.

ACREAGE - 76.70 A.

Facts

"Pecan Culture" was the hobby of a few persons a few years ago, and these were considered cranks. Today the man with a pecan grove is the envy of his neighbors, and thousands are striving to get in the class with him. The fact that every grower of Pecan nursery stock is planting an orchard of his own is abundant evidence of the strong faith in the industry. We have over 400 acres in groves.

Land planted in a pecan grove can be farmed for years with any crops that this land produced before the trees were planted. This will help the growth of the grove, and will give the owner of the land the same crops raised before planted in trees.

A three-year-old grove under the best of conditions will produce a few nuts, though will not pay a large return until six or more years of age.



Some have said they would not plant a grove as you were too long in getting returns. You will, however, have to wait anyway, so why not wait and get an income that will provide for your old age, and that of your family, instead of waiting and getting nothing like the average person? If one would buy a lot and this lot would increase in value at the rate of \$50.00 per acre per year, they would consider their investment strong; yet, they are getting no actual income. This is true of a young Pecan grove; same is valued at \$100.00 per acre when planted, and increases at the rate of \$50.00 per acre per year.

The Pecan is acknowledged "King" of nuts.

The popular distances for planting groves are:

40x40 feet, which is 27 trees to the acre.

46 feet 8 inches by same, which is 20 trees to the acre.

50x50 feet, which is 16 trees to the acre.

The last distance should be used on low lands that are extra fertile.

Owners of Peach, Pear, Plum, Orange and other groves are finding it advisable to fill in these groves with the finest budded or grafted Pecan trees, as these trees will come into bearing about the time that the other trees die out from old age.

The best inheritance a parent can leave his family, better, surer and cheaper than a life insurance policy.

Be free in your old age by owning a bearing Pecan grove.

It is now considered by property owners bad business policy to plant out trees for ornamental purposes only, when productive trees can be planted that are more valuable and even more ornamental.

Plant Pecan trees for shade and nuts, plant them in odd places, along creeks and ditches, though the best land is their most ideal location. They respond to good care, cultivation and treatment, and do best where good crops are produced.

Trees should be planted between December the first and March the fifteenth, the earlier the better.

Any soil that will produce cotton and corn is good for Pecans. They will, in fact, do well on any land except pipe clay land that has standing water on it or very near the surface. This land should be drained, ditched or dynamited.

That the market for Pecan nuts is practically unlimited is a fact beyond question.

ALL PRICES F. O. B. ALBANY, GA.

ENGLISH WALNUTS.

We have the largest nursery east of the Mississippi river of California Mayette and Franquette English Walnuts that are grafted on black walnut stock. Our trees in nursery have nuts on them. We get our grafts direct from California and offer trees as follows:

1 to 3 feet high, 50 cents each.

3 feet up, extra selected trees, \$1.00 each.

English Walnut trees that are grown from their own seed do not live well, as they stay sappy so late in the winter that they are killed; but grafted on black walnut the sap will go down at the proper time, hence the above method.

English Walnut Grafts, 5 cents each.

English Walnut Buds, 5 cents each.





PECAN TREES.

We have the largest Pecan nursery in the state of Georgia, and can fill your orders for any amount of trees from 1 to 100,000 trees. We get our buds and grafts from our 12,000-tree bearing groves.

We are one of the pioneers in the Pecan business, having started fourteen years ago.

Will write full planting instructions with each shipment, which makes planting simple.

The demand for trees this past winter could not be met; many thousand more trees being wanted than could be supplied. Most all of the supply of trees were sold the spring before planting time. This will be done this year even more than last; we are therefore sending out our catalogue now instead of waiting until fall, which is the usual time. Send in your orders now for trees to be delivered next winter. We require no payments until after you have received the trees. We furnish some of the largest nurseries in the world their pecan trees.

We planted 2½ tons of seed Pecan nuts in our nurseries last year, and we probably have 1,000,000 Pecan trees of different ages in our nurseries. We invite inspection of our groves and nurseries.

We offer Pecan trees as follows, budded or grafted, leading standard varieties:

	Each	10	100	1000
1 to 2 feet in height.....	50c	\$5.00	\$45.00	\$400.00
2 to 3 feet in height.....	65c	6.00	55.00	500.00
3 to 4 feet in height.....	75c	7.00	65.00	600.00
4 to 5 feet in height.....	90c	8.50	80.00	750.00

Selected 5 to 10-foot trees for street, yard and lawn planting, \$2.00 each.

SPECIALTIES.

California Mayette and Franquette English Walnuts that are grafted on Eastern Black Walnut stock.

The finest budded and grafted Pecan trees.

Sending out our men to bud and graft seedling nurseries and to top-bud Pecan trees that do not bear large, regular crops of large paper shell Pecan nuts.

Fine Pecan nuts.

Seed Pecan nuts.

VARIOUS.

Pecan Buds from bearing trees, \$2.00 per 100; \$15.00 per 1,000.

Pecan Grafts from bearing trees, \$2.00 per 100; \$15.00 per 1,000.

Budding cloth already prepared for immediate use, 25c per yard.

Black walnut trees 25c each.

Pomegranate trees, 25c each.

Fig trees, 25c each.

Selected Seed Pecan Nuts (write for prices).

Selected Eating Nuts, medium size (write for prices).

Selected Eating Nuts, largest soft shell nuts (write for prices).

If you are in the market for any kind of fruit trees or berry vines and we are out of same, we can get them from some of our nursery connections at wholesale prices, and can furnish you as cheap as you can get them elsewhere, giving you the benefit of our experience.





We propagate the Stuart, Schley, Van Deman and Frotscher Pecans as they are the acknowledged standard varieties.

We furnish nurseries and growers just starting out with seed nuts, buds, grafts, already prepared budding cloth, and can contract to send one or more of our men to bud or graft for them.

We are agents for a nut-cracker patented in Texas, that gets any kind of nuts out whole; very simple, a child can use it. \$1.00 each, f. o. b. here.

If you have any Pecan nuts for sale, advise us. We can market them for you.

Anyone wishing to buy land in this section for Pecan or fruit planting, farming or timber, or who wish to buy homes and locate here, we take pleasure in referring them to the following firms of this city, who are old established and very reliable: H. A. Malone & Son, Georgia Realty Co., Albany Realty & Investment Co. and Beatie-Shaffer (Incorporated). Write to them or us for any information that we can give you.

We use every precaution to keep our varieties of trees true to name, but it is understood between the purchaser and ourselves that should any prove otherwise, we are subject to no damage beyond replacing same.

White Leghorn eggs, \$1.00 per 15; Brown Leghorn eggs, \$1.00 per 15. Registered Tamworth Pigs.

Copied from the Atlanta Journal.

G. O. P. AND DEMOCRATS EAT ALBANY PECANS.

Donkey and Elephant Lie Down Together and Have Feast.

ALBANY, GA., April 2.—Recently the greatest “deliberative body” in the world had the pleasure of a few minutes with Albany Pecans. Senator Hoke Smith was the cause and extravagant praise of the Albany nuts was the effect. Mr. Rood, of the Rood Pecan Groves, of this city, and owner of the largest pecan and California English walnut nurseries in the state, supplied Senator Smith with some 40 pounds of select Georgia pecans.

The senator divided the nuts between the Democrats and Republicans and the press gallery cloak room. The fact was stated that it was the only time the Democrats and Republicans had agreed in years, but that they were all of one mind that the pecans were the finest they had ever seen.

Dispatches sent out from Washington state that the nuts were about two inches long and contained in the paper shell of the nut a good mouthful of rich, wholesome meat. The press dispatches state, in addition, that Senator Smith was besieged with inquiries to know why the Georgia variety of pecans were not marketed in other sections.





GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF ENTOMOLOGY.

Official Certificate

No. 45.

Atlanta, Ga., October 15, 1912.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that in accordance with an Act of Assembly approved Dec. 20, 1898, the

ROOD PECAN GROVES at Albany, Georgia

were inspected on Oct. 10, 1912, and the stock grown in said nursery found apparently free from San Jose Scale and all other insects and diseases of a seriously injurious nature and that said nursery is properly equipped for fumigating.

This certificate is to cover only stock grown in the above named nursery, and becomes invalid twelve months after date of inspection.

E. L. WORSHAM, State Entomologist.

Testimonials by Senator Hoke Smith, of Georgia, who is now at Washington, D. C.; Governor Joseph M. Brown, of Atlanta, Ga.; Mr. Charlie W. Brown, of Baconton, Ga., the Horticulturist that developed the famous Barnwell Pecan Groves that sold for \$202,000, also afterwards connected with the Dixie Pecan Orchards Co., of Chicago, Ill., who have 1,800 acres planted; Flint River Orchards Co., of Albany, Ga., who have 300 acres planted; Jno. C. Webb, Demopolis, Ala.; Dr. J. W. Gillespie, Albany, Ga., who is president of the Albany Paper Shell Pecan Co., and is interested in 1,100 acres.

Washington, D. C., April 30, 1913.

Mr. C. M. Rood, President, Rood Pecan Groves,
Albany, Ga.

My dear sir:

It gives me pleasure to say that I never saw or ate finer pecans in my life than those which I have obtained from your groves.

Very truly yours,

HOKE SMITH,
Senator.

Atlanta, Ga., June 7th, 1913.

Mr. C. M. Rood,
Albany, Ga.

My dear Mr. Rood:

Several months ago I purchased from you a number of pecan trees and set them out in my orchard at my home in Marietta, Ga.

These trees, I consider very high grade pecans, and nearly all of them are living and giving good promise for the future.

With high regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

JOSEPH M. BROWN,
Governor.





Baconton, Ga., 5-13-13.

Rood Pecan Groves,
Albany, Ga.

Dear sirs:

I have just examined the 500 trees that I bought from your firm this past winter and they are doing fine in every way. The root system of your trees is as fine as I have ever seen. I like the heavy red clay that you have for your nurseries. I had a very wide experience with trees from different nurseries when with the Dixie Pecan Orchards Co. and the Barnwell Groves, and always found your trees fine.

Come by and see me when you are in my section.

Sincerely,

C. W. BROWN.

Albany, Ga., June third, Nineteen Thirteen.

Rood Pecan Groves,
Mr. C. M. Rood, President,
Albany, Georgia.

My dear sir:

In reply to your inquiry as to the state, at the present date, of the paper-shell Pecan trees we purchased from you last winter, we take pleasure in assuring you that by far the greater part of them are doing finely, and are making an excellent growth.

Although we have had continued dry weather for six or seven weeks, which naturally would affect a newly planted tree, we believe we will have at the very lowest estimate a 90 per cent. stand, and think this excellent showing is due to the general good condition of the tree, and especially to the excellent condition of the root systems.

We are expecting to set out a considerable acreage this fall, and will certainly want to get some trees of Mr. Rood.

The Flint River Orchards Company,
By Arthur H. Ellis, President.

Demopolis, Ala., 11-21-12.

Rood Pecan Groves,
Albany, Ga.

Gentlemen:

Please give me the prices on the size Pecan trees (only paper shell wanted) that you shipped me last delivered here. I want quite a lot of them. You shipped me Van Deman, Stuarts, Schley. Which kind do you consider the best for the market? I would be glad if you would ship me a few pecans of each variety as a type. My pecan trees three and four years old have commenced bearing and I would like to have these types in shipping. Mine seem to be very fine. What are these kinds of pecans worth per pound? I would pay you for the pecans that you send me as types. Your early reply will much oblige,

Yours very truly,

JNO. C. WEBB.





Chicago, Ill., 5-22-13.

Rood Pecan Groves,
Albany, Ga.

Dear sirs:

We will want many more thousand trees this winter and am writing asking that you please quote us same by the thousand.

The trees that we have bought from you each of the past three years are doing fine.

We have bought trees from other nurseries; they have their nurseries on sandy soil, but we like the very fine root system that your heavy red clay soil produces, as we have found from experience that your trees are the best that we have ever gotten, and we have bought from all of the other large nurseries.

Please give us the above quotation by return mail.

Yours truly,

Dixie Pecan Orchards Co.

By F. H. Wood, Mgr.

29 South La Salle St., N. Y. Life Building, Chicago, Ill.

Albany, Ga., June 10, 1913.

Rood Pecan Groves,
Albany, Ga.

Gentlemen:

Please quote me best prices, 3,000 to 5,000, on 3 to 4 ft. pecan trees, standard varieties, like the ones furnished me for the last three seasons, to be delivered Dec. and Jan., the coming season. Also on 4 to 5 ft. trees.

The trees bought of you for the last three seasons have lived and grown better than those bought from other nurseries, so much so that least season I bought no stock except that bought from your company.

I consider the character of the soil on which your stock is grown, viz., the heavy clay subsoil, to be largely responsible for the stocky build of the tree and the fine root system which they all show.

Yours very truly,

J. W. Gillespie.

Several instances of the purchase of large quantities of pecans will be given that an idea may be had of the ready sale that is found for the nuts.

Dr. R. P. Jackson sold 7 barrels, 1,200 pounds of Stuart, Teche, and Schley in one order.

The Pecan Sales Co. sold 900 pounds of Frotscher and Russell nuts to one customer, in addition to other large orders to nut cracking houses.

Four tons of nuts, different varieties, were sold from the orchards of the DeWitt Pecan Co., South Georgia Pecan Co., and Albany, Ga., Pecan Co., for which was received nothing less than 50c per pound.





Mr. Harry U. Jackson sold 500 pounds of Schley, Mobile, Stuart and Teche varieties, prices ranging from 50c to \$1.00 per pound.

Capital that has investigated the pecan properties in the Albany section has been convinced. Several illustrations of offer-and-sale propositions will prove interesting and show the faith that capital has in the future of the industry.

The Jackson Pecan Grove Co. sold 75 acres, 20 trees to the acre, planted in Teche, Schley, Stuart, Mobile and Alley trees, all budded and grafted, 4 years of age, for \$600 an acre. Seven acres of Stuart, Schley, Van Deman, Alley and Pabst, 20 trees to the acre, budded and grafted, sold for \$600 an acre, the trees 5 years of age.

Dr. R. P. Jackson sold 100 acres of leading varieties, 3 and 4 years old, for \$500 an acre.

The owner of the Parker Grove of Mitchell County refused \$10,000 for 10 acres.

The owner of the Delmas Grove of Mississippi refused \$1800.00 per acre.

Mr. Herbert C. White refused an offer of \$350 an acre for 35 acres, 20 trees to the acre, of 5-year-old principally Schley and Stuart trees.

An attorney of Albany was authorized to pay \$5,000 for 5 acres of Mobile top-worked trees. The offer was refused.

An offer of \$20,000 was refused for a grove of 27 acres of 460 Stuart, Mobile and Frotcher trees, all budded, ten 6 years of age and seventeen 5 years of age.

The Barnwell grove, consisting of approximately 11,000 trees, sold for \$202,700.

Mrs. Gunnells refused an offer of \$20,000 for 12 acres, 300 trees, 22 years of age, mostly seedling, with a few budded Gunnells, Stuart and Frotcher, Mobile and Bronwood.

The largest sale of pecan property on record is that of the Horlbeck grove, which brought \$280,000.00.

A review of the pecan situation for 1912 is interesting and timely. An extensive increase in the orchard area; an increased demand for the best trees for planting; an ever-increasing interest on the part of investors in pecans and increased confidence in the commercial pecan development were some of the prominent features.


Orchard owners reported that inquiries have come from widely separate sections.

Commercial planting has continued on a large scale in Southern Georgia, lower Alabama and West Florida, with Southwest Georgia up by the Albany district, taking the lead. A representative nut journal reports that upon information at hand a half million trees were set in 1912, which represents the planting of 25,000 acres. This includes only commercial planting.

The past season demonstrated the success of the older plantings, the actual yield proving satisfactory and the nuts selling promptly at fancy prices, ranging from three to five times as large as the common seedling.

The price of the nuts attracts much attention. As to what they will bring in the future is merely conjecture. It is interesting to note, however, the heavy advance in the price of the common seedling, which has taken place since the marketing of the improved varieties. Reports from Texas show that the wild pecan ten years ago brought from 5c to 8c per pound, while in 1912 it sold at double the figure.





This is the condition in face of the fact that the importation of nuts has increased at a rapid ratio. The production of California walnuts doubled the past ten years, but the importation trebled. This shows the extensive use to which nuts are being put and argues conclusively against an early over-production. It most certainly makes for increased public confidence.

The pecan industry has developed beyond the point where it matters not what you or I believe. It is a success. Results are being produced of wide interest and of permanent character, and the industry in the Albany District in the hands of competent and enterprising men has wonderful potentialities. The hundreds of thousands of dollars invested by shrewd business men in commercial pecan properties, after personal investigation, argues that the development as being recorded in the Albany district is meritorious.

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"In my opinion there is no horticultural proposition more remunerative than pecan growing when scientific methods are employed in the planting and cultivation of trees. The grove (in the Albany District) is in a section that is probably better adapted to pecans than any other section of America."

E. L. WORSHAM,
State Entomologist of Georgia.

"It is generally conceded that the Flint River Valley of South Georgia (the Albany District) in which Albany and Baconton are the central points, to be the best section of the United States for Pecan culture."

N. F. TIFT,
Ex-Mayor of Albany.

"That section of the state (the Albany District) is especially adapted to the Pecan industry."

W. D. MANLY,
Financial Agent, Bankers' Financing Co.,
Atlanta, Ga.

"We believe it (the pecan) to be one of the most profitable investments with which we are familiar."

JNO. K. PRAY,
President Citizens 1st National Bank,
Albany, Ga.

"We also wish to express our confidence in the pecan industry. We believe it to be one of the best possible investments. This locality (the Albany District) is especially favored as to the soil and climate conditions necessary to the best results."

S. B. BROWN,
President Exchange Bank, and Albany National Bank,
Albany, Ga.

Albany, Ga.

"The success of the paper-shell pecan in our section (the Albany District) has been fully demonstrated. We know of nothing better."

GEO. C. COCHRAN,
President Citizens Bank,



Camilla, Ga.

"I have given much attention to the pecan industry and believe it will prove to be one of the safest and most profitable industries we have. I believe the Flint River Valley of Southwest Georgia, in which Albany, Putney and Baconton are the tactical points (the Albany District) to be one of the best sections of the United States for pecan culture."

F. F. PUTNEY,
President Ga. National Bank,

"We have given much attention to pecan culture and stand ready to urge it as one of the safest and most profitable industries we have. We believe the Flint River Valley of Georgia, in which Albany and Baconton are the tactical points (the Albany District) to be the best section of the United States for pecan culture."

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Atlanta, May 17.

It is the unqualified opinion of Dr. J. P. Stewart, head of the tree fruit work of Pennsylvania state college that Georgia is the greatest pecan country in the world. Further, it is his belief that the immediate section about Albany is excelled by no other section of the globe.

Dr. Stewart and Carl G. Allen, of Williamsport, Pa., interested with northern capitalists in a 5,000 pecan orchard in Dougherty county, passed through Atlanta this week en route home after a visit to their orchards. They expect to largely increase their holdings there and develop the largest pecan orchard in the country. It is very probable that Dr. Stewart will give up his college work and move to Albany to devote all of his time to his large investment there.

The two held a long conference with State Entomologist Worsham here and were extravagant in their praise of Southwest Georgia as a pecan section.

"I have been everywhere in this country and looked into the pecan industry closely," said Dr. Stewart. "I am more convinced than ever that no better place in soil, climate and general conditions for the culture of pecans can be found than around Albany. Georgia generally is well adapted to the nut. I believe that in a few years Georgia will produce more and finer pecans than any other spot known. This is not snap opinion, but comes from mature judgment and thorough tests."

For several months Entomologist Worsham has had a station and special man located at Albany, studying the pecan and its enemies. The matured conclusion has been reached that no enemy of the pecan exists in Georgia not easily and inexpensively controlled. This is of the greatest importance to further development of the industry.

